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# MINUTES OF MEETING HEALTH SERVICES COUNCIL PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE-II

**DATE:** 25 February 2016 **TIME:** 2:30 PM

**LOCATION:** Department Operations Center

Rhode Island Department of Health

### **ATTENDANCE:**

Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Project Review Committee-II			
Victoria M. Almeida, Esq. (Chair)	X		
Stephen Boyle	X		
Richard Glucksman, Esq.	X		
Lisa Lasky, CPA	X		
Jeanette S. Matrone, RN, PhD (Vice Chair)	X		
Darren McDonald			X
John Sepe			X

Staff: Michael K. Dexter, Morgan Enroth, Abigail Garrahan (Intern), Theodore

Long, MD, Stephen Morris, Esq., Sandra Powell, Paula Pullano.

**Public:** (Attached)

# 1. <u>Call to Order, Approval of Minutes, Conflict of Interest Forms and Extension</u> for the Minutes Availability

The meeting was called to order at 2:35 PM. The Chair noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. Minutes of the Project Review Committee-II meeting of 14 January 2016 were adopted as submitted. A motion was made and passed by a vote of five in favor and none opposed (5-0) that the availability of minutes for this meeting be extended beyond the time frame as provided for under the Open Meetings Act due to the increase in administrative burdens on staff. Those members voting in favor were: Ms. Almeida, Mr. Boyle, Mr. Glucksman, Ms. Lasky and Dr. Matrone.

### 2. General Order of Business

The next item on the agenda was the application of **Neighbors Emergency Center (NEC) Bristol Emergency Center, LP** for initial licensure of a Freestanding Emergency Care Facility in Bristol. Staff reviewed the materials pertaining to this meeting. Dr. Matrone, Vice-Chair, chaired meeting on this matter as Ms. Almeida, Chair, recused.

Representatives of Neighbors Emergency Center provided a presentation and answered Committee's questions.

Public comment in opposition to the application was made by Kathryn Banner, MD and Allen Dennison, MD of Medical Associates of Rhode Island, Bristol.

A motion to approve the application was made by Ms. Lasky, seconded by Mr. Glucksman and approved by a vote of four in favor, none opposed and one recused (4-0-1) to recommend that the application be approved subject to the standard conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor included: Mr. Boyle, Mr. Glucksman, Ms. Lasky and Dr. Matrone.

## 3. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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